MINUTES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2011

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 61153 Hwy 445, Husser, LA.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. James Hopson, with the following members present:

Mrs. Carol Ann Cleveland, Vice-Chairman Mr. Charles Cain, Commissioner Major Adam White Attorney Paul Schexnayder

Present also was John W. Alario, Executive Director, and various industry representatives.

On motion by Major White, seconded by Mrs. Cleveland, the minutes of the February 23, 2011 meeting was adopted as transcribed and the register of attendance was signed.

The latest expenditure and revenue reports ending February 28, 2011 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending February 28, 2011 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for February 2011 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set for Wednesday, April 27, 2011 & Thursday, April 28, 2011 in Baton Rouge, LA.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the April 2011 meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

1. Citations – Regular – April 2011

None as of March 18, 2011

2. Citations – Insurance – April 2011

None as of March 18, 2011

3. Citations – Permit Renewals – April 2011

None as of March 18, 2011

Mr. Alario presented the Commission with the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance of **\$758,472.24** as of February 28, 2011.

Management/Finance has informed Mr. Alario that this agency is on target financially.

Commission Legislation and/or Rule Changes – Status – Mr. Alario intends to meet with Attorney Schexnayder to give him a copy of the rule changes that need to be updated to coincide with the 2008-2009 NFPA regulations.

On behalf of the Louisiana Propane and Gas Association (LPGA), Mr. Randy Hayden was present. Mr. Hayden discussed the latest suggested revisions to the Rebate Program. The Board of Directors supported an effort by the Market Development Advisory Board to revise the Rebate Program. Handouts were given to the Commission regarding the update. A recommendation was made to add other appliances to increase the Rebate Program. Mr. Hayden asked the Commission to support the modest increase that would allow revisions to the Rebate Program to include other appliances up to \$1100.00 per household. Mr. Alario reminded the Commission that \$200,000.00 had been allocated for the Rebate Program. The total amount allocated for the Rebate Program would increase to \$300,000.00 if the Commission agreed. The effective date has yet to be decided but the Commission has suggested May 1, 2011. Mr. Cain motioned to approve the Rebate Program revision, seconded by Mrs. Cleveland, all agreed. Mr. Hayden updated the Commission on the latest Trade Shows. He thanked several dealers for participating in the shows.

Mr. Hopson thanked Mrs. Cleveland for hosting the March meeting in Amite, LA.

There being no other business, Major White motioned to recess until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, March 24, 2011, Mr. Cain seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.